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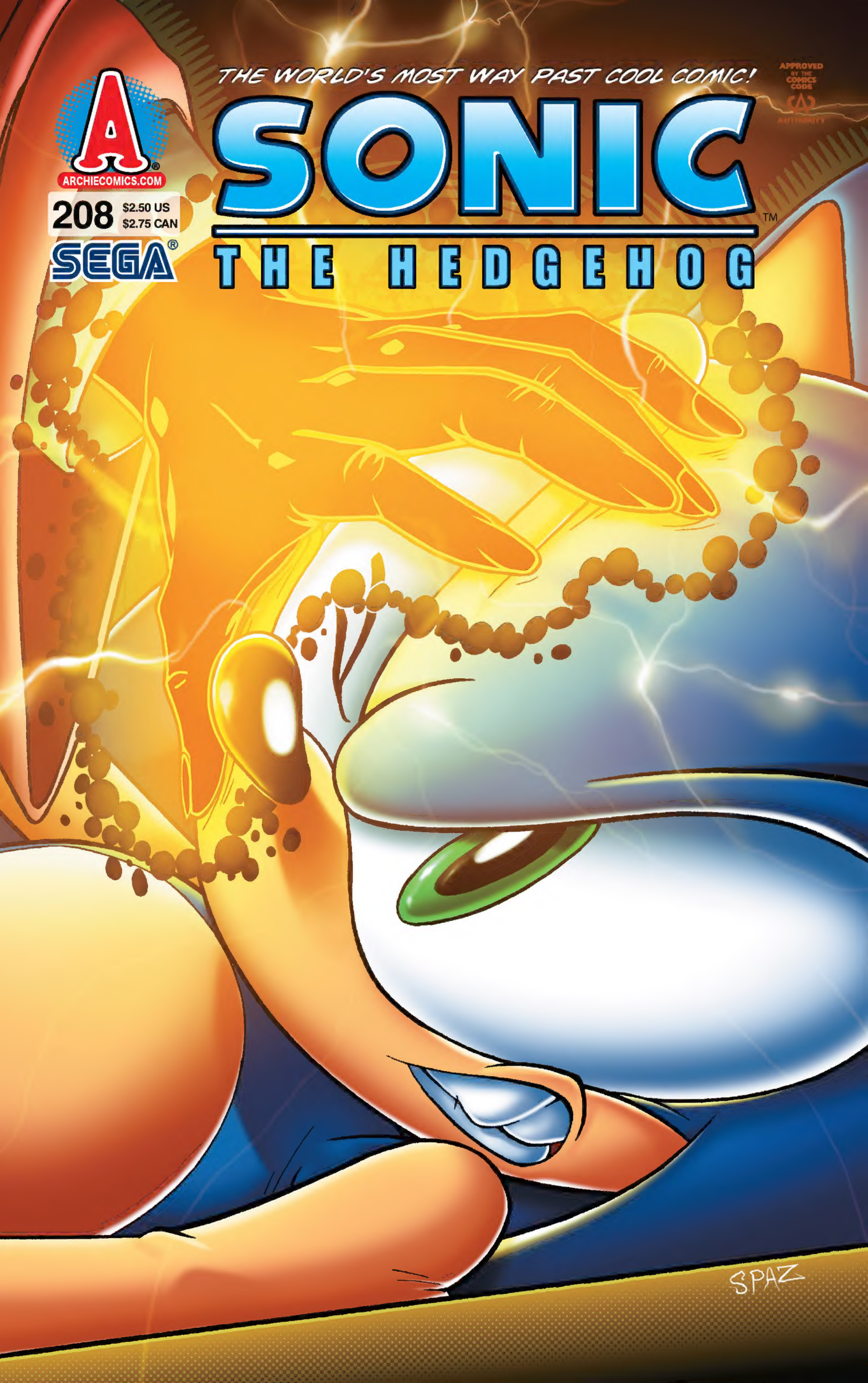


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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG



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WELCOME TO THE PLANET *MOBIUS*
--A WORLD *BEYOND* WHAT YOU
KNOW FROM THE *SEGA GAMES!*...
WHERE *SONIC* AND THE HEROIC
FREEDOM FIGHTERS WORK TO
SAVE THE WORLD FROM THE
FORCES OF EVIL!

I'M NOT
HAPPY
WITH
YOU,
SNIVELY.

I KNOW
THAT,
SWEETIE-
DARLING,
BUT...

ALL OF MY
ENEMIES ARE
PROTECTED WITHIN
A CITY I CAN'T
ENTER. I HAVE BEEN
OPENLY *MOCKED* BY
THOSE WHO SHOULD
BE MY PAWNS.
AND I TOLD YOU *NOT*
TO COME *BACK*
UNTIL YOU HAD A
SOLUTION TO THIS
PROBLEM...

IRON DOMINION

PART ONE



SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG
HERO OF MOBIUS



IRON QUEEN
TECHNOMAGE



SALLY ACORN
F.F. LEADER



NICOLE
A.I. CONSTRUCT



MONKEY
KHAN
CYBORG SIMIAN

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B-B-B-BUT I HAVE, MY SNUGGLE-DUMPLING!

YOU HAVE THIRTY SECONDS, AND THEN I'M TOSSING YOU INTO A CELL JUST LIKE EGGMAN'S.

Y-YOU WOULDN'T WOULD YOU...? AH! NOT LONG AGO, ONE OF MY UNCLE'S WAYWARD CREATIONS USED HIS NANITES TO CONSTRUCT AN ENTIRE CITY.*

*BACK IN STH #152!

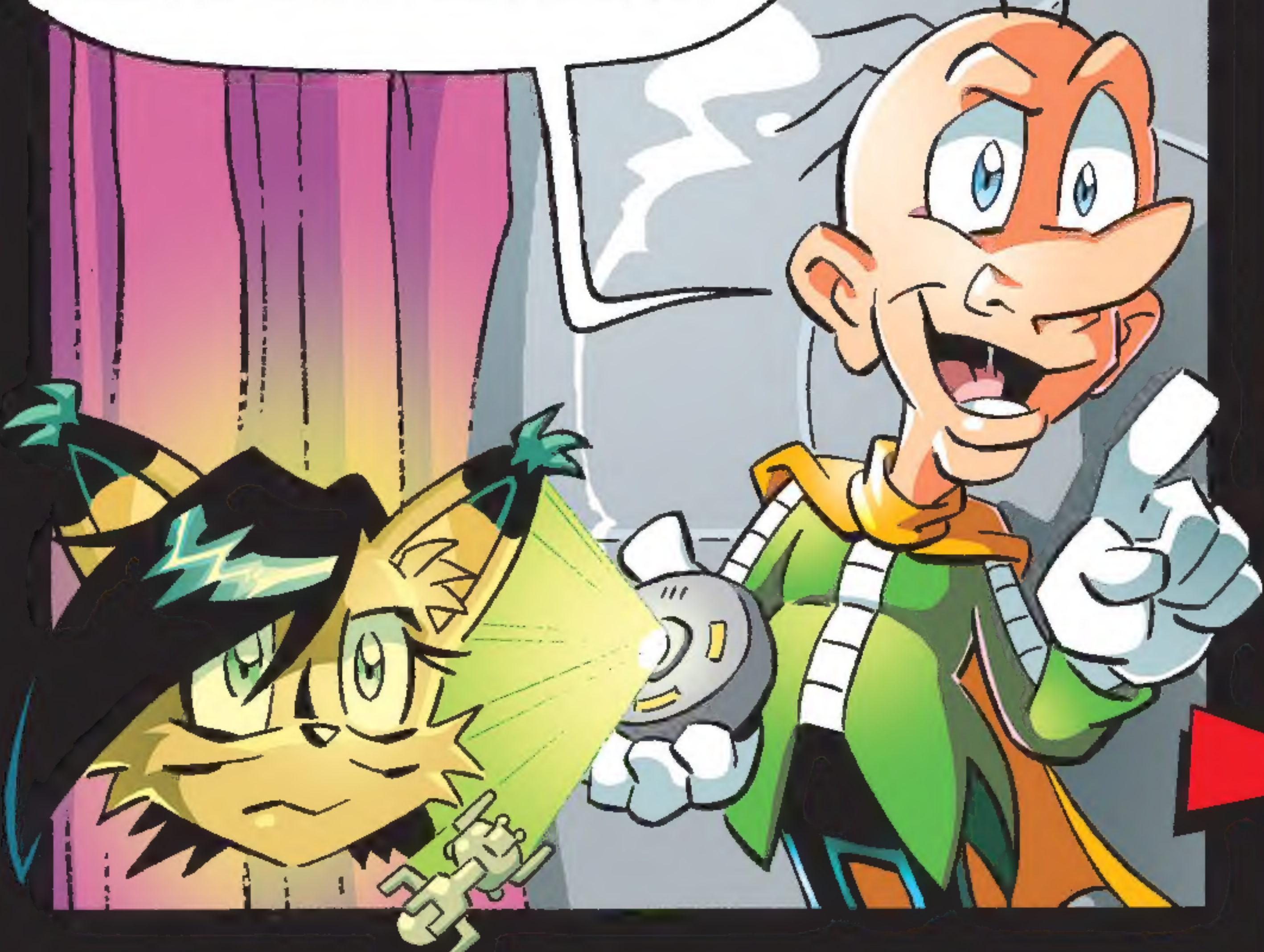
THEN THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS' A.I. PROGRAM... NICOLE... USED THE NANITES TO TRANSFORM IT INTO NEW MOBOTROPOLIS, THE CITY WE'RE HAVING TROUBLE WITH NOW.**

WHICH MEANS THEY'RE COMPLETELY PRONE TO MY SPECIAL BRAND OF TECHNOMAGIC! MREE-HEE-HEE-HEE! OH, SNIVY-KINS! IT'S THE PERFECT PLAN!

WHOOPI! ALL FOR YOU, MY DARLING!

**REVEALED IN STH #176--!

BUT THE SOLUTION LIES WITHIN THE PROBLEMS THEMSELVES! THE NANITES ARE MICROSCOPIC MACHINES. NICOLE IS A PURELY DIGITAL BEING. THEY'RE PURELY TECHNOLOGICALLY-BASED.



"RALLY THE TROOPS!"

KING FREDERICK AIRBASE--NEW MOBOTROPOLIS.

YO, TAILS. WHAT'S GOING ON, MAN?

HEY, SONIC! I'M JUST PUTTING THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON THE NEW TORNADO!



THE OL' BIPLANE NEVER LOOKED BETTER. BUT NICOLE COULD'VE BUILT ONE FOR YOU IN NO TIME.

I KNOW. SHE EVEN OFFERED TO.

BUT WHAT KIND OF MECHANIC WOULD I BE IF I LET HER DO EVERYTHING FOR ME? THE TORNADO IS MY PLANE, AND IT'S MY RESPONSIBILITY TO GET HER UP AND RUNNING AGAIN.



MAKES SENSE. SO... UM... WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER ONE WE'VE BEEN USING?

NICOLE RECYCLED THE NANITES. I GET THE FEELING SOMETHING ELSE IS ON YOUR MIND.

NAH.

WELL, MAYBE. IT'S JUST THAT SALLY...



**BREEP!
BREEP!**



HOLD THAT THOUGHT.

IS THE IRON DOMINION ATTACKING AGAIN?

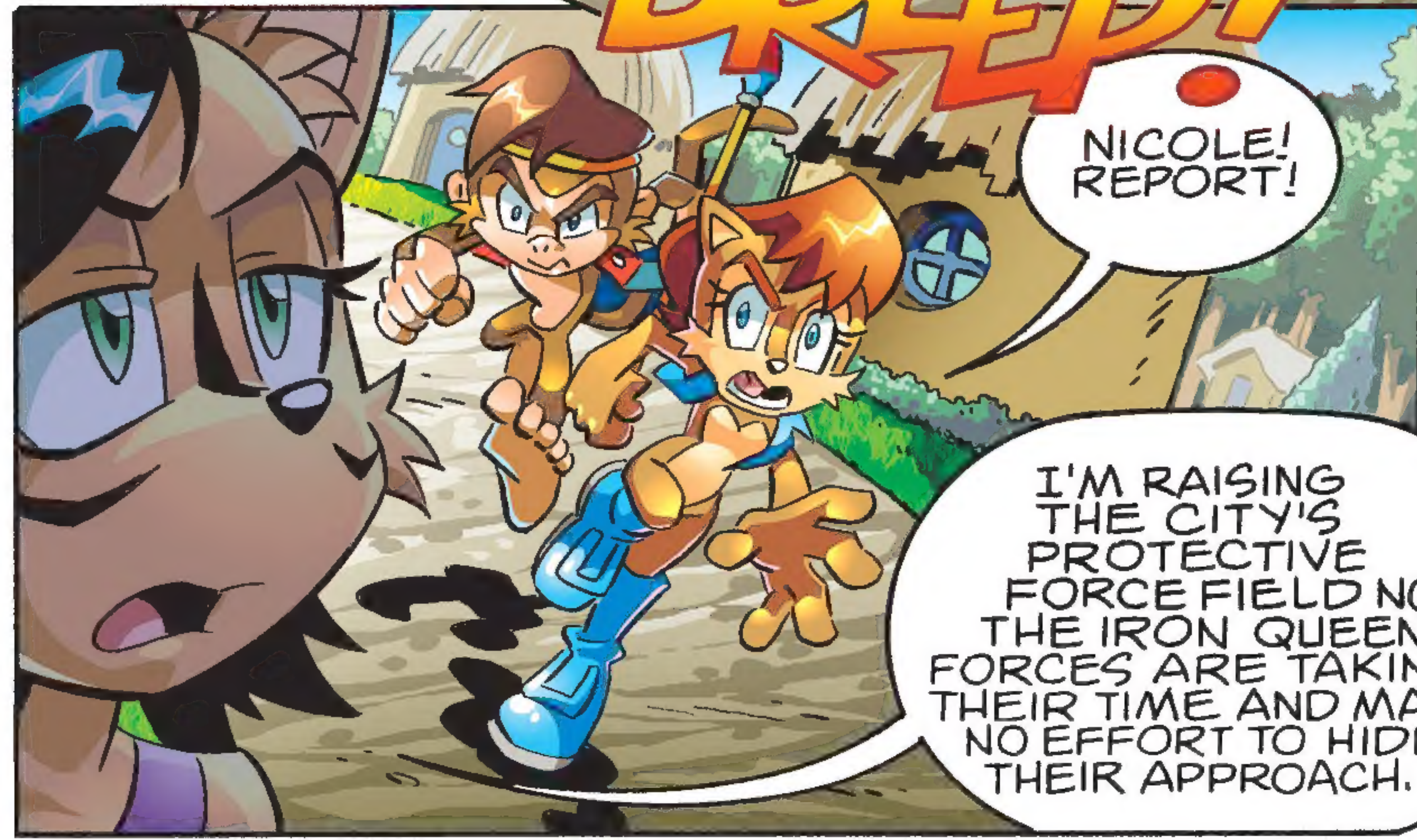


WHAT'S THE WORD, NICOLE?

THE IRON DOMINION APPEARS TO BE STAGING A FULL INVASION...

BREEP!

BREEP!



NICOLE! REPORT!

I'M RAISING THE CITY'S PROTECTIVE FORCE FIELD NOW. THE IRON QUEEN'S FORCES ARE TAKING THEIR TIME AND MADE NO EFFORT TO HIDE THEIR APPROACH.



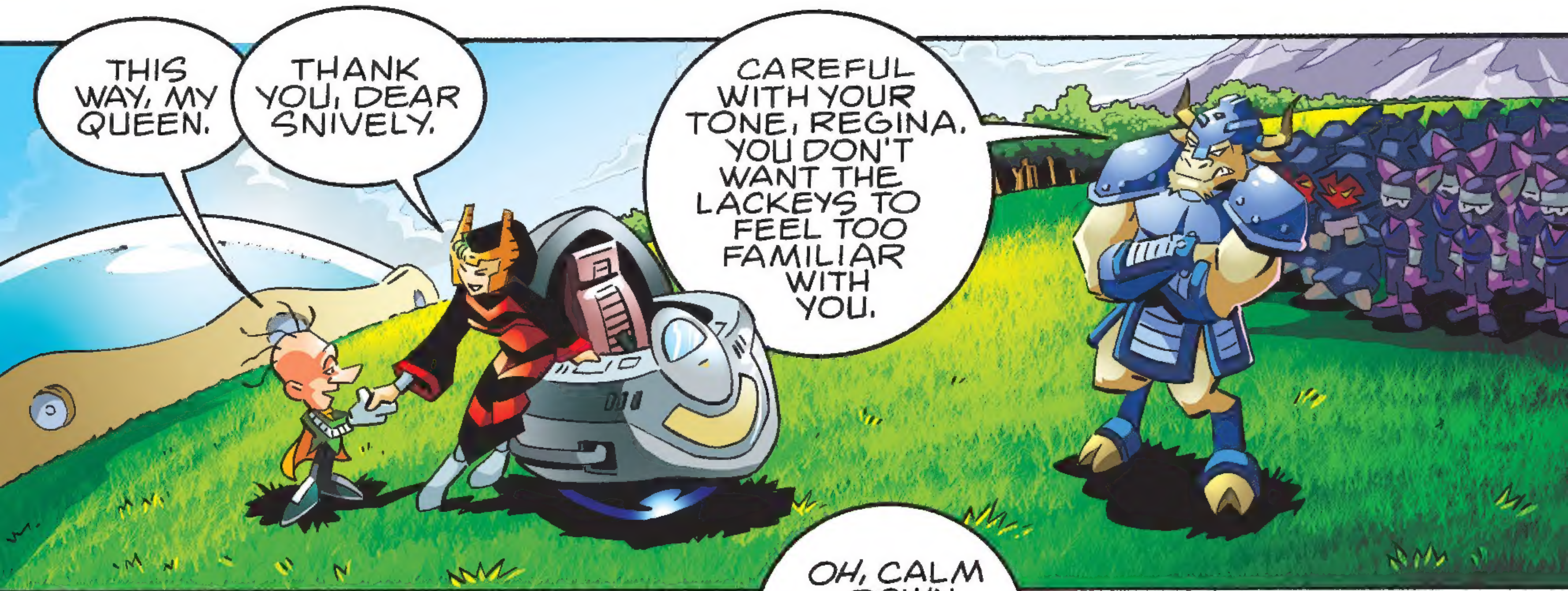
I DON'T LIKE THIS. THEY'RE BEING TOO FORWARD.

THEY AREN'T KNOWN FOR THEIR SUBTLETY.

BUT THIS SEEMS ARROGANT AND RECKLESS, EVEN FOR THEM.



...YEAH, I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THIS AT ALL.



THIS WAY, MY QUEEN.

THANK YOU, DEAR SNIVELY.

CAREFUL WITH YOUR TONE, REGINA. YOU DON'T WANT THE LACKEYS TO FEEL TOO FAMILIAR WITH YOU.



OH, CALM DOWN, JUN KUN...! SNIVELY KNOWS HIS PLACE.

AND YOU APPARENTLY DO NOT. AS STEWARD AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THIS CITY, I AM INFORMING YOU OF YOUR TRESPASS. YOU WILL LEAVE NOW.

MREE-HEE-HEE-HEE! AS A MASTERFUL TECHNOMAGE, I AM EXERTING MY WILL OVER YOURS, MY DIGITAL DEARIE!

YOU ARE MINE NOW!

NOOA
AAAA
AUUU
HAK!





IRON NICOLE IS ONLINE, YOUR MAJESTY, AWAITING YOUR FIRST COMMAND.



THAT'S A GOOD GIRL. NOW OPEN THE CITY FOR YOUR QUEEN.

AT ONCE.



FINALLY! THIS CITY FALLS TO THE IRON DOMINION!

OH, MAH STARS...

BUNNIE! LEAVE!

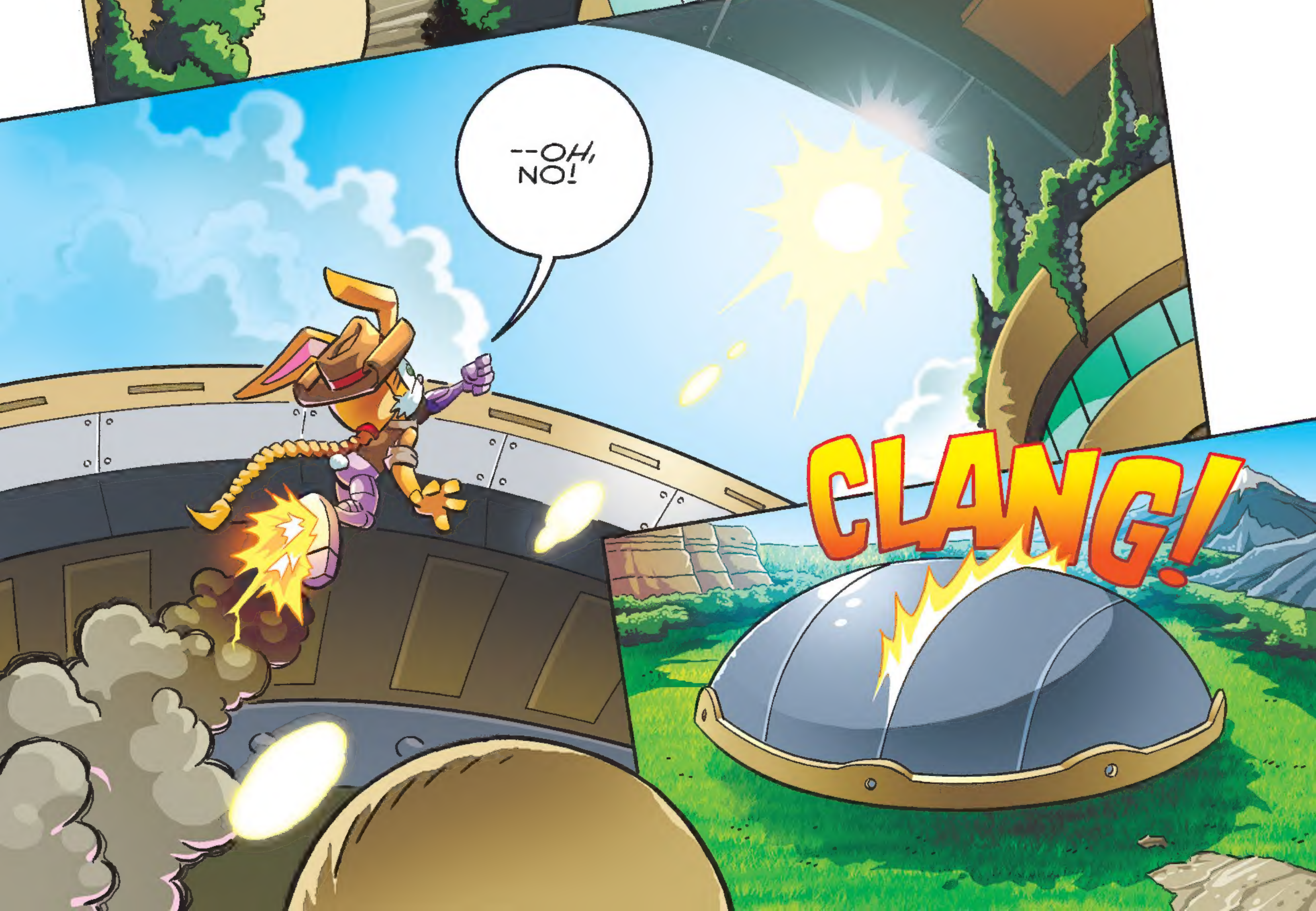
BUT YOU'LL NEED MAH HELP...

FLY! NOW!

THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. AH'D BE A DANGER TO THEM. AH'M NOT RUNNIN' BECAUSE AH'M AFRAID. AH'M DOIN' THIS FOR--



--OH, NO!



CLANG!



S-SONIC
...?

SIT TIGHT,
LITTLE BRO.
I CAN'T SEE A
THING YET,
BUT ONCE
I CAN, I'LL--



--OKAY,
THAT
REALLY
DOESN'T
HELP.

ATTENTION, CITIZENS.
YOU ARE UNDER
ARREST FOR DEFY-
ING THE WILL OF
THE IRON DOMINION.
RESISTANCE WILL
BE MET WITH STRICT
PUNISHMENT.



AHH!

RUN!

HELP!

GUYS!
GUYS!
CHILL
OUT!

NOOOO!

WE'RE
DOOMED!



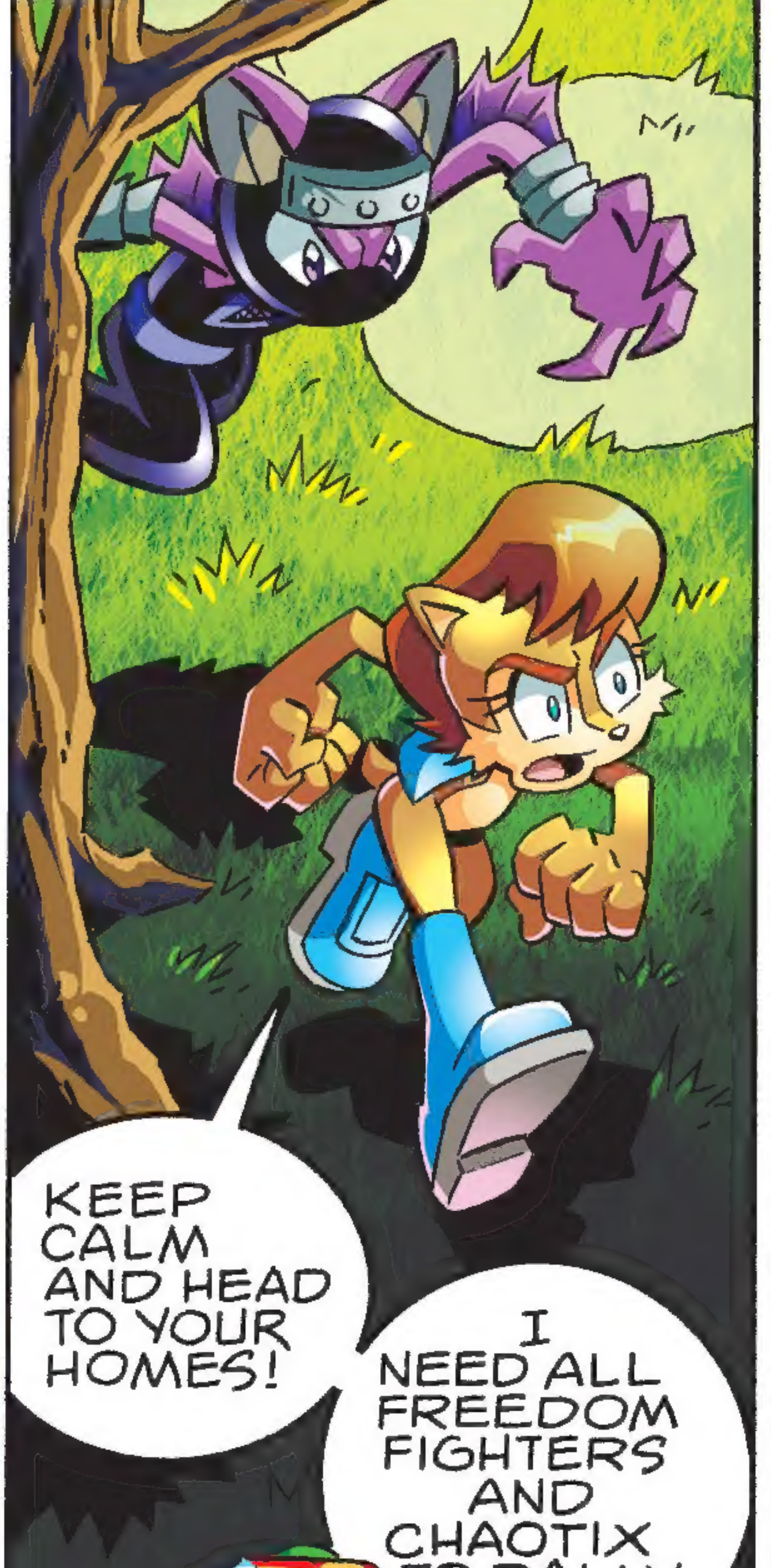
CIVILIANS TO YOUR HOMES! ROYAL GUARDS PAIR UP AND CREATE A PERIMETER!

THIS IS MADNESS...



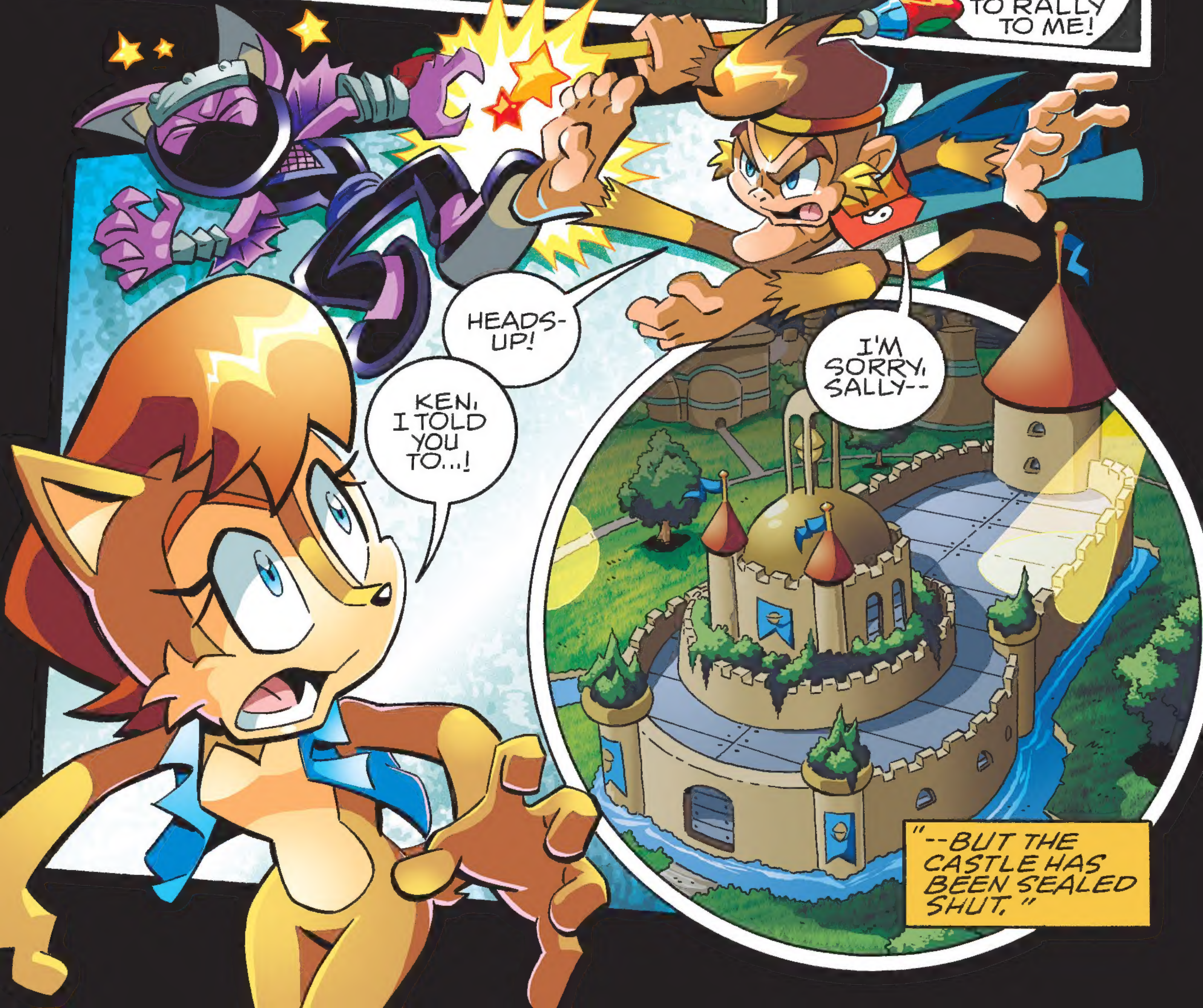
KEN, I NEED YOU TO GET MY BROTHER AND THE ACORN COUNCIL OUT OF THE PALACE AND BACK TO THEIR HOMES.

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME.



KEEP CALM AND HEAD TO YOUR HOMES!

I NEED ALL FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND CHAOTIX TO RALLY TO ME!



HEADS-UP!

KEN, I TOLD YOU TO...!

I'M SORRY, SALLY--

-- BUT THE CASTLE HAS BEEN SEALED SHUT.



YOW!
WHERE IS EVERY-ONE?!

I DON'T KNOW. IT'S LIKE TRYING TO FIGHT IN A STROBE LIGHT.



SONIC!
OVER HERE!

FINALLY!



HOW DID WE EVEN GET SPLIT UP LIKE THAT?

IT DOESN'T MATTER BECAUSE WE'RE STICKING TOGETHER NOW.

I CAN'T SEE WELL ENOUGH TO KICK ALL THE DESERVING BUTTS, SO IT LOOKS LIKE WE NEED ONE OF YOUR BRILLIANT PLANS.



LIKE I SAID--A PLAN, AND PRONTO. YOU KNOW IT'S BAD WHEN TAILS IS STEALING MY THUNDER.

HEY!
HEY!

KIDDING,
KIDDING.

OUR PROBLEM STEMS FROM A TOTAL LACK OF CONTROL. WE NEED TO DEBUG NICOLE AND HAVE HER REGAIN COMMAND OF THE NANITES IN OUR FAVOR.

SURE,
HOW?

IF WE CAN GET TO FREEDOM HQ, I CAN ACCESS THE CITY'S MAIN-FRAME FROM THE LAB.

THEN WE HAVE A PLAN.

SWEET!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THINGS GET ANY--

--WORSE.

SERIOUSLY, DID YOU TAKE CLASSES IN "DRAMATIC TIMING"?

WHAM!

SPARE YOURSELF FURTHER EMBARRASSMENT, PRINCESS. BOW TO YOUR KING.

I WOULDN'T BOW TO ROBOTNIK, AND HE WAS TWICE THE TYRANT YOU ARE.

TAKE A KNEE YOURSELF!

I'LL HOLD HIM HERE. I'M TRUSTING YOU TO PROTECT SALLY.

...RIGHT. GOOD LUCK, BUDDY.

AND YOU.

SHAKOOM!

KEN?!

HE'S COVERING OUR EXIT. C'MON, TAILS...!

MEANWHILE--
THE DETENTION
CENTER...

HELLO,
UNCLE.

COLIN!
WHERE
HAVE YOU
BEEN? WOULD
YOU LIKE
TO SEE MY
LATEST
FIGURES?

NO. I CAME TO
SEE WHAT WAS
LEFT OF YOU.
I CAME TO SEE
THE MAN WHO
ONCE RULED A
PLANET REDUCED
TO MAD RAMBLING.
YOU CAN'T EVEN
KEEP TRACK OF
WHAT PERIOD OF
YOUR LIFE YOU'RE
IN, CAN YOU?

ALL THE CRUELTY.
ALL THE THREATS. ALL
THE BULLYING. AND DO
YOU SEE WHO'S IN CHARGE?
I SAW YOU AS A STEPPING
STONE FROM DAY ONE, AND
NOW I'M FINALLY WHERE
I WANT TO BE.

THE CITY AND PEOPLE
YOU'VE STRUGGLED TO
CONQUER WILL BE MINE IN
A MATTER OF MINUTES!
I'LL BE LORDING OVER
A NEWER, STRONGER
EMPIRE THAN YOU EVER
IMAGINED! WITH REGINA
AT MY SIDE, THE WORLD
WILL COWER AT THE
MERE MENTION
OF *SNIVELY*
ROBOTNIK!

GOODNESS,
WHEN DID YOU
LOSE ALL
YOUR HAIR?



WE'RE SPLIT UP AND OUT-NUMBERED! WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO?!

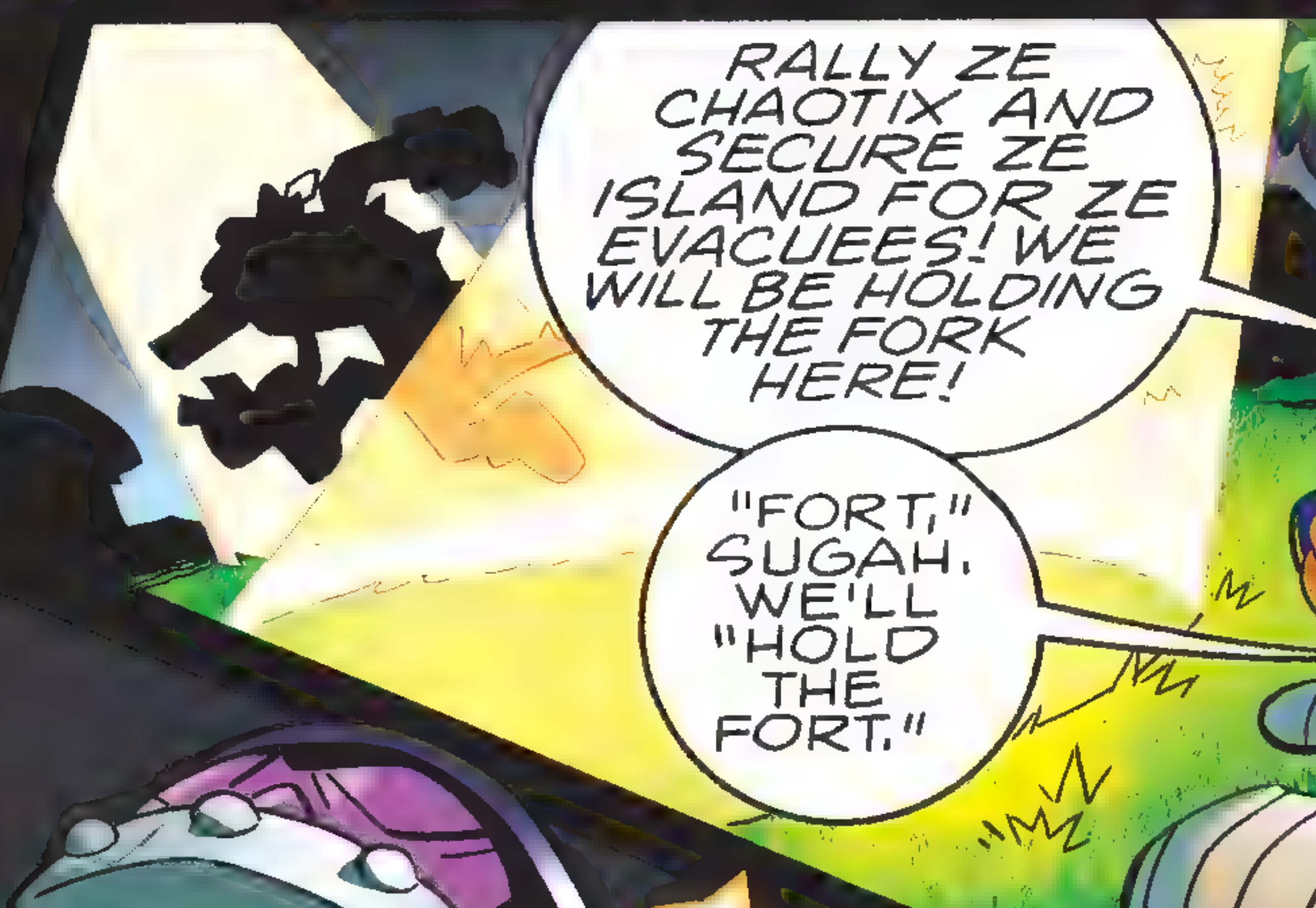
I AM THINKING RETREAT IS OUR ONLY OPTION NOW.

BUT TO WHERE?!



YOU ARE HAVING ZE WARP RING, NON?!

OH, YEAH! OUR TICKET STRAIGHT TO ANGEL ISLAND!



RALLY ZE CHAOTIX AND SECURE ZE ISLAND FOR ZE EVACUEES! WE WILL BE HOLDING THE FORK HERE!

"FORT," SUGAH. WE'LL "HOLD THE FORT."



MERCI BEAUCOUP. IT IS HARD TO CONCENTRATE IN ZE HOT OF BATTLE. NOW GO WITH VECTOR.

DON'T YOU WORRY, N-- WHAT?!

AH CAIN'T
LEAVE YOU
HERE ALL
ALONE!

I WILL
FIND ZE
OTHERS AND
REGROUP,

YOU ARE
VULNERABLE
TO ZE TECHNO-
MAGICS.

BUT--!

I CANNOT
PROTECT YOU
AGAINST ZE
IRON QUEEN...!
YOU WILL BE
SAFE ON ANGEL
ISLAND, AND I
WILL BE HAVING
THE PIECES
OF MIND.

"PEACE,"
SUGAR-TWAN.
NOT THAT LONG
AGO, YOU'D BE
THE FIRST ONE
RUNNIN' FOR
THE EXIT.

OUI, AND YOU
HAVE GIVEN
ME ZE
STRENGTH I
NEED TO DO
THIS. HURRY,
BEFORE ZEY
LEAVE.

FWASH

A-AND
NOW, YOU
VILLAINS,
Y-Y-YOU
FACE
M-MY
BLADE...



AND MAH ARM!

MON DIEU!



BUT-- BUT-- BUT--!

SHO' IT'S DANGEROUS, BUT WHEN AH MARRIED YOU, AH SWORE "FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE."



YOU ARE A REMARKABLE WOMAN, AND I AM ZE VERY LUCKY MAN.

SHO' NUFF. NOW...

...LET'S SHOW THESE JOKERS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THEY COME MESSIN' WITH OUR CITY.

VOICI LA PUISSANCE DE NOTRE AMOUR!



YEE-HAW!

WAAAAA

THIS IS QUITE ENOUGH, YOU WERE WARNED.

WAAAAA

"NOW I MUST TAKE MATTERS INTO MY OWN HANDS."

GO GO GO! PUNCH IT, TAILS!

WAAAAA

WAAAAA

NO!





HIT THE THRUSTERS! I'LL GET YOU LOOSE!

SMASH!



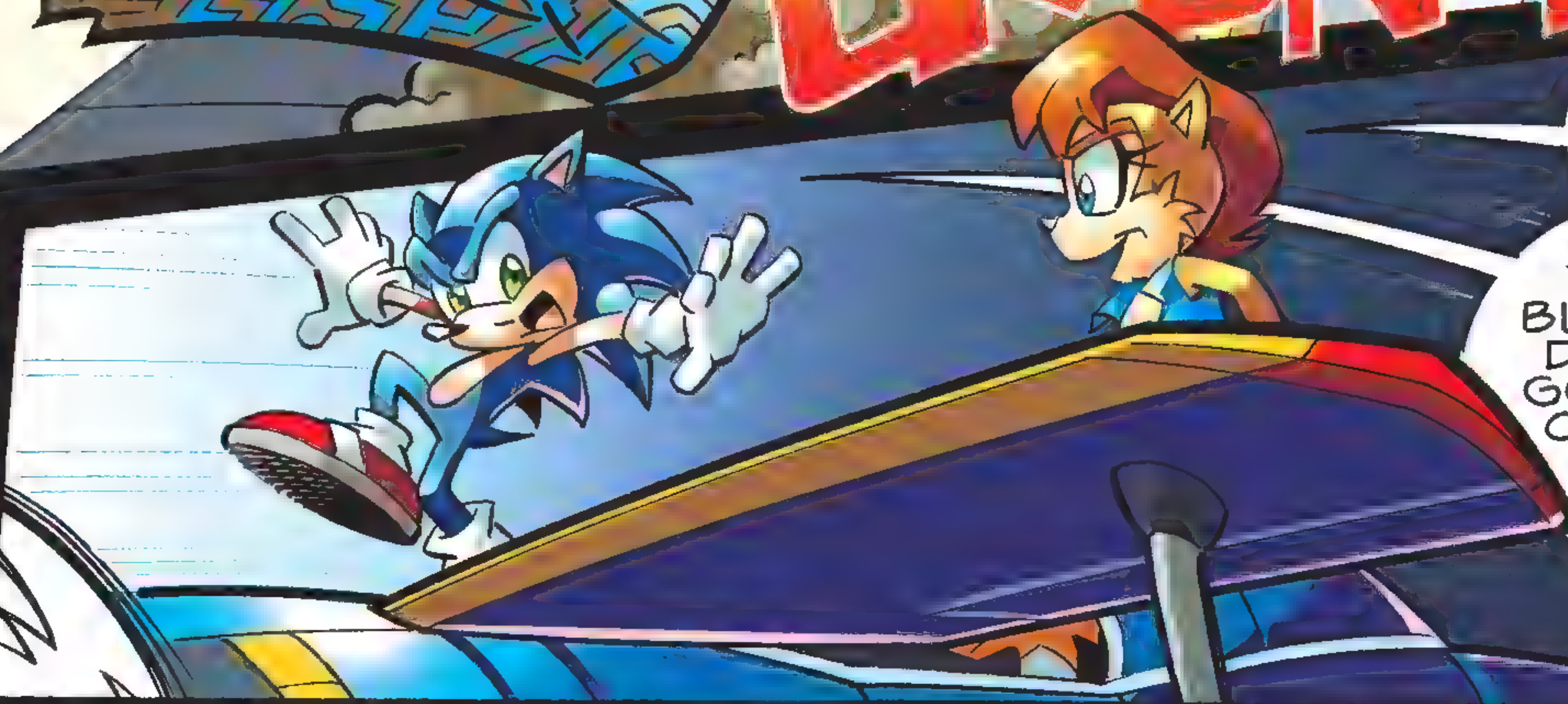
BWOOSH!



THANKS, I NEEDED A HAND.



CRUNCH!



NICELY DONE, SONIC!

THANKS, BUT IT WON'T DO US ANY GOOD IF WE CAN'T FIND A WAY OUT.



THEY'RE TRAPPED...

AND YOU ARE FINISHED!

OH, NO, YOU DON'T!



IF YOU'RE GOING TO FIGHT, FIGHT FAIR! HE WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION!

NO TINY PINK GIRL WILL TELL THE IRON KING HOW TO CRUSH HIS ENEMIES!



WHO ARE YOU CALLING "TINY"?!



L/M...

WHAT?! YOU THINK I'M SMALL AND WEAK, TOO?!

NO! I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY THAT WAS AMAZING!



TEE-HEE! YOU REALLY THINK SO? WELL, YOU GO ON AND LET ME BE AMAZING, YOU NEED TO HELP MY SONIC AND THE OTHERS ESCAPE.



IF YOU'RE SURE...

DON'T WORRY! I'LL HANDLE EVERYTHING HERE!



YOU WILL PAY FOR YOUR INSOLENCE!

ONLY IF YOU STOP SWINGING LIKE A WUSS!



ARE YOU OKAY, SALLY?

I'M FINE! WHAT ABOUT YOU?

FINE.

WHAT HAPPENED TO IRON DORK?

I BELIEVE HER NAME IS AMY ROSE?

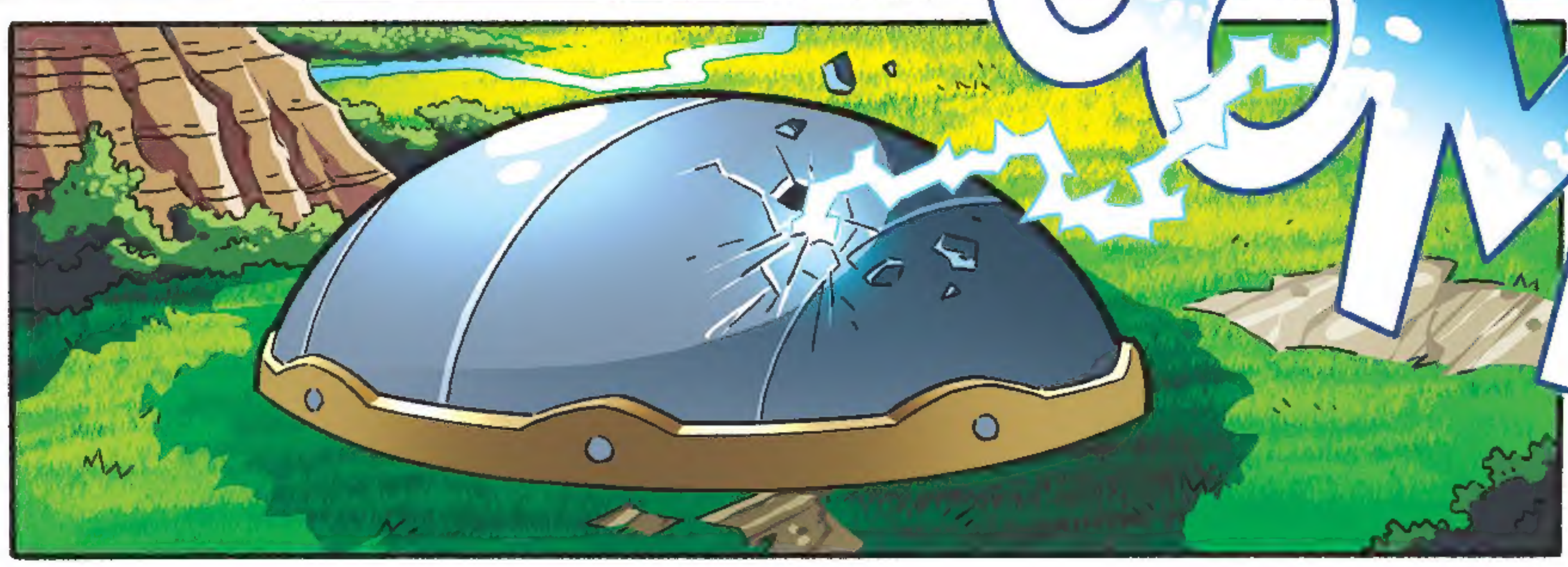
AH, SAY NO MORE.

SHAKOOM

THINK YOU CAN SHOW US THE WAY TO THE EXIT?

I THINK I CAN MANAGE THAT.

KABOOM





GET US TO FREEDOM HQ AS FAST AS YOU CAN, TAILS. IF WE CAN'T RESCUE NICOLE, THEN WE'VE LOST EVERYONE IN THE CITY AND THE IRON DOMINION WINS.

NEW MOBOTROPOLIS HAS FALLEN TO THE FORCES OF EVIL!

CAN SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS TURN THIS LOSS AROUND, OR IS IT TOO LATE?

DON'T MISS THE EXCITING SECOND PART NEXT TIME!